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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the following numbered paragraphs with the following rewritten paragraphs:

[23] A snap latch drum release assembly 48 and actuating handle 50 are mounted to the sleeve 44. A first and second latch sleeve 52 extend from the sleeve 44 in a substantially perpendicular arrangement thereto. That is, the latch sleeves 52 and sleeve 44 form a T-shape. Each latch sleeve 52 movably supports a latch 54 which is telescopically mounted therein. The latches 54 are engageable with the inner opening 41 of the plate 40 as will be further described below.